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- 2. JP 11-40156 A, published February 12, 1999 to Sanyo Electric Co. with English Abstract.
- 3. JP 2001-283852 A, published May 12, 2000 to Showa Denko KK with English Abstract.

- 4. JP 2000-133249 A, published May 24, 2002 to Sanyo Electric Co. with English Abstract.
- 5. Materials Research Bulletin, Vol. 29, No. 6, (1994), pp. 659-666.
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